

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: North Carolina

Requirements for Third Party Liability -  
Identifying Liable Resources

1. All data exchanges will be conducted as required by 433.138(d)(1), (d)(3), and (d)(4) as follows:
  - a. SWICA and SSA at application and redetermination and "batch" run with a printout at least quarterly.
  - b. IRS match at application and at least annually.
  - c. Unemployment compensation on line at application and redetermination and "batch" run with printouts at least quarterly.
  - d. Motor vehicle data matches cannot be done in North Carolina at this time. Required data elements are not available for matching from DMV. See Attachments 1 and 2 of the North Carolina TPL action plan for the documentation on attempted matching.

Worker's compensation data matches have not been done at this time. Discussions are underway for this process. We are targeting December 31, 1991 for a completion date.

- e. The Title IV-A agency is a sister agency to Medicaid under the Department of Human Resources and information is shared at application and redetermination time. Information from the applicant/recipient is required to be furnished to the IV-D agency on the absent parent, including SSN, health insurance information, workman's compensation, and unemployment insurance. This information is placed in the case record. IV-D furnishes information on support/court orders for absent and custodial parents and is followed up by the TPL Unit. Data matches with IV-D cannot be accomplished at this time. However, the TPL data base is being modified in order that this can be accomplished. Target date for matching is January 1992. The DEERS match cannot be accomplished until the IV-D interface is made. However, after the accomplishment of the IV-D data match, the DEERS match will be accomplished.

As provided by 433.138(c), trauma claims are identified by the FA and a monthly report is produced by the FA using the required trauma code edits.

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2. The methods used for follow-up as required by 433.138(g)(1)(i) and (g)(2)(i) are:
  - a. The eligibility worker verifies all information, including potential TPL, within thirty (30) days and the TPL information is incorporated into the eligibility case file, the TPL data base and the third party recovery unit.
  - b. Worker's compensation data will be verified and TPL information will be incorporated into the eligibility case file, the TPL data base and the third party recovery unit within thirty (30) days.
  - c. If follow-ups are necessary for 2a or 2b, they will be done by correspondence and/or telephone within sixty (60) days.
3. The Department of Motor Vehicle data is unavailable. See Attachments 1 and 2 of the North Carolina TPL action plan for documentation.
4. All claims paid for a given recipient with an ICD9-CM diagnosis code between 800.00 and 999.99 are accumulated for one month and a system generated inquiry is mailed to the recipient requesting information regarding the possible accident. Information received from the recipient regarding potential TPL is incorporated into the TPL case file within thirty (30) days. Claims are then filed with the potential third party carrier or recipient attorney.

The third party recovery unit will keep records of trauma diagnosis code recoveries and will, at least annually, identify those diagnosis codes that produce the greatest amount of recovery and give those codes priority for follow-up.